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Jamestown Tour For Congress Visitors

Special arrangements have teen made for a tour of the Jamestown Festival during the American and telic Congress at Norfolk, Va., October 4-6. Adm. Jesse G. Joh. Jon, chairman of the Congress arrangements committee, has planned a 10-hour trip to the testival area. Those participating will leave in buses from convention headquarters at 10 a.m. "Sunday, October 6 for a grand tour of the historic area.

In addition to the Jamestown four, the tentative program for the Congress includes a non-competitive exhibition, which will open at 10 a.m., October 4, and continue for three days; an entertainment starting at 9 p.m., October 4 at the Monticello Hotel; the annual dinner on Saturday night, October 5; and the Philatelic Writers' Breakfast Sunday morning preceding the Jamestown tour.

A prospectus on the Congress and the exhibition may be obtained from Adm. Jesse G. Johnson, 1005 Bank of Commerce Bldg., Norfolk, 10, Va.

More Se Tenants From Australia

Australia which has had designs of its postage stamps se tenant in the sheet on previous occasions will again adopt this format for a pair of commems coming early in

These will both be of the 5½d denomination and will show a dif-erent view of the Australian War lemorial at Canberra, The designs will appear alter-

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nave a maroon color. The stamp will come fifty to the pane. nave a maroon color. The stamp will come fifty to the pane. I congress sessions are planned for Friday and Saturday. Collectors planning to attend the 1957 Congress are urged to make their reservations early at the Monticello Hotel, for hotel space is in short supply in Norfolk due to the influx of visitors for the Jamestown festival. A prospectus on the Congress Of Post World War Era A Sad

Annexation of Austria by the German Reich in April 1938 pursuant to armed intervention a few weeks earlier terminated autonomous government in Austria as it was demoted to the German province known as Ostmark. Thus too, in the field of postal administration, all previously issued Austrian postage stamps became invalid for mailing purposes and the German postal service was introduced.

That status lasted for a time-span of almost exactly seven years until.

That status lasted for a time-span of almost exactly seven years until, in April 1945, the victorious Allied armies gained control of the territory and reestablished, in accordance with preconceived plans, an independent Austria that was divided into four zones of occupation administered respectively by the armed forces of the United States, Great Britain, France, and Russia. The capital city of Vienna came under the joint juridiction of all four occupying powers.

under the joint juridiction of all four occupying powers.

Severe disorganization of staffs and substantial war damage to government buildings, installations and records caused some delay in the reestablishment of governmental services. However, as early as May 2, 1945 the new Austrian Postal Administration in Vienna re-

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inaugurated limited local mail service and issued for that purpose two denominations of German postage stamps, somewhat crudely overprinted by a private printshop. They corresponded to the prevailing postage rates for postcards and letters respectively.

As of May 16, 1945 the mails were extended to cover most localities within the Russian occupation zone and two additional values, overprinted in a different private printery, were released on that day. They met the prevailing rates for out-of-town postcards and letters.

Because of the fact that only the German postage stamps of the Hitler-type were available in sufficient quantities, these were the adhesives

quantities, these were the adhesives nationalized and issued as provi-sional stamps. Contrary to the cus-tom in the United States, European

tom in the United States, European postage stamps traditionally have honored rulers during their lifetimes and tenures.

The Russian element of occupation, cognizant of the propaganda value inherent in the continued mass-circulation of the features of (Continued on page 15)

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and articles which are their history.

Although postage stamps i.ad been in use in Europe since 1840, it was not until January 1849 that the Austrian Postal Administration considered following the example which other countries had set. It was decided to study the question abroad, and Dr. Johann Herz, an inspector in the Postal Administration, was selected for the mission. He left Vienna in May 1849, and visited England, Belgium and France where he studied the functioning of the postal service and the manufacture and use of postage stamps. He returned in July 1849 very favorably impressed by what he had learned abroad.



Austria - Issue of 1850.

He submitted a detailed report of his findings to the Postal Administration and strongly advocated the introduction of postage stamps in Austria. For their design he proposed the Austrian Coat-of-Arms, and recommended using typography for the printing. Opposition to both suggestions was voiced by the Director of the Austrian State Printing Works, Alois Auer (von Welsbach), who considered the design rather unattractive-looking and who advocated recess printing for a finer product. In spite of Mr. Auer's protest,

In spite of Mr. Auer's protest, the design as suggested by Dr. Herz was accepted with only few

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changes, and so was the method of printing.

On September 25, 1849 a decree was signed by the Emperor, Francis Joseph I, authorizing the use of postage stamps in Austr., also fixing June 1, 1850, as the day of issue. In the latter part of 1849 preparations were made in the State Printing Works for manufacture. Essays were submitted to Dr. Herz on January 5, 1850. As far as is known today, there were, in all, five sheets of essays prepared. The sheets contain essays of only the 6-Kreuzer and 1-Gulden values. They are printed in either light red, light blue or black on thin white handmade paper. Only a few copies are today preserved in private collections, all of them having been lifted from official files at one time or another for the benefit of collectors.

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These essays of the 6-Kreuzer and 1-Gulden values were the only ones ever made in advance of the actual printing of the first .ssue of Austria. A block of six o. the 6-Kreuzer stamp and a block of twenty-five of both values mixed are the largest in existence.

In 1850 the Austrian Empire covered some 240,000 square miles, about twice the size of New Mexico, and had a population of 37 million, as against 23 million of the United States. At that time Austria was ruled by Emperor Francis Joseph I who, in addition to the territory of Austria proper, also ruled the kingdom of Lombardy-Venetia in the northern part of Italy.

The currency in all of Austria.

The currency in all of Austria was the Gulden, sub-divided into 60 Kreuzer. The provinces of Lombardy-Venetia had their own currency, the Lira (1 Lira equal

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Postage Stamps, General. Edwin Mueller, the Postage Stamps of Austria. Vienna, 1927 (G.)

Special Issues, 1850. H. Kolbe, Types and Plate of the 1850 issue. Vienna 19, Grinzingerstrasse 32. 1952 (G.A.) A series of enlarged detailed photographs.

Airmail. Austria Philatelist. History of Austrian Airmail. Vienna, 1952. Supplement 1953. Vienna 71, Austria. (G.A.) A detailed listing and pricing of stamps, covers, flights, balloon mail, etc.

Revenues, I. Mayr and L. Hanus. Illustrated Handbook and Price-Catalog of the Revenue Stamps of Austria-Hungary. Vienna 1929. (G.)

Cancellations, Prephilatelic. Edwin Mueller, the Pre-Stamp Postmarks of Austria. 522 Fifth Avenue, New York 36, N. Y. (E. A.) A delightful brochure describing the pre-philatelic history and markings of the Austrian Empire, New York, 1950.

Cancellations, 1850-1863 Issues. Edwin Mueller. Handbook of the cancellations of Old Austria and Lombardy-Venetia. Vienna, 1925; Supplement 1934. (G.)

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Special Cancels. Adolf Kosel. Catalog of Special Cancels of Austria, 1848-1918. Vienna 71, Austria, 1956. (G.A.) The first part of a series of special cancels. Much has been written about the various fields of Austrian philately,

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Postage Meters. Rudolf Mays and Otto Krause. Catalog of the Commercial Meters in Austria, Vienna, 1954. (G.A.) A complete listing of the various machines and the individual users.

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Danube Steam Navigation Company. E. F. Hurt and D. Kelly. American Philatelic Society, Box 800, State College, Pa. (E.A.) A treatise on the stamps and postal history of this private steamship

company.

Catalogs. There are a number of priced catalogs which list Austria in considerable detail. Among these are: Edwin Mueller, Specialized Catalog of Austria, 1850-1918. New York, 1952 (G and E simultaneously, A), and Billig's Philatelic Handbook, vol. 1, 1942, 1945. (E.A.)

Bosnia. Die Postwertzeichen von Bosnien und der Herzegowina, Prag. 1930 and Prirucnik Maraka Jugoslavia Zemalja, Volume 1, Bosnia and Herzegovina 1878-1918. Zagreb. (G.)

Special Postmarks

A couple of slogans and a special postmark from a temporary postal station have been announced as available to collectors by the Post Office Department. The station will be located in the Tuller Hotel in Detroit, Mich. for the duration of the American Stamp Dealers' Assn. "Great Lakes Stamp Show", September 28 and 29.

Reminiscent of wallpaper or lino-leum patterns is the common design of the three commems Free China issued on August 11 for the world-wide Boy Scout celebrations this year. Denominations and colors are 40c magenta, \$1 green and \$1.60 blue.

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The Directorate General of Postal

The Directorate General of Posts advises that there were two million copies of the low value and half a million of the other two. Printing was at the China Engraving and Printing Works from engraved plates in sheets of 100.

Liang Li-yu is credited with the design — the engraving was per-formed by Pao Liang-yu.

Netherlands Antilles Football Games Set

Sports on Stamps topicalists with sports on stamps topicansts with their purchases of recent semi-postals issued by the Netherlands Antilles helped to finance a football tournament. The event was the 8th Central America and Caribbean Area Football Championships. Ten a Footba Champion nations sent teams to Aruba, N.A. for the games.

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On the 6c plus 2½c orange a player is in the act of kicking the ball; the map is on the 7½c plus 5c red; on the 15c plus 5c green a player is advancing the ball with his hands; a mauve 22c plus 7½c three players going for a depicts loose ball.

According to Charles A. Weeks of Aruba, N.A. the day of issue was July 6. A special postmark was used by the postal authorities on first day covers

HPO Exhibit Booked, New Route On Way

Post Office Department Post Office Department announcements relayed by Virgil J. Geary, Dayton, Ohio state that the Department will operate an HPO exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, Columbus, Ohio, for eight days through August 30. Send covers to Edward Cain, District Transportation Manager, Post Office Bldg., Columbus, Ohio, for the cachet available. available

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The election report just received from the Peoria Philatelic Society shows that the group reelected C. D. Sneller, M. D., president, with Harold P. Lizer vice president, and Gladys Moon secretary-treasurer. surer.

Dr. Sneller is also editor of the club's monthly bulletin, and LINN'S club's monthly bulletin, and LINN'S suggests to club editors who find themselves at a loss for ideas for their sheets that a request to Dr. Sneller for a sample copy or two will provide fresh and excellent ideas. Address him in care of the club which meets on first and third Fridays at Cilco Hall, 320 S. Jefferson St.

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For Better Service For Our Readers

As announced last week, I have just returned home from a trip up north to attend the annual meeting of our Board of Directors. Following this meet I took the opportunity to go to Cleveland, Ohio with the intention of attending the meeting of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club on the 19th July. This is the first G-P met I have been to in about four or



G-P met I have been to in about our of five years and most of those present were strangers to me. The older members whom I have known for the past 10 to 25 years are fast fading out, yet the club seems to be active and proceeding in a splendid manner.

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When I left Sidney I did not leave any forwarding address as I did not want to be bothered with mail while on this vacation trip. Incidentally, it was a trip of three weeks, the first such lengthy vacation that I have had since my trip to Hawaii in 1951. From Cleveland we went to Buffalo, then to Rochester and then to New York where we stopped overnight and took the train home the next day. Both Mrs. Linn and myself were very happy when we got back home and could slow down and get some rest.

week. Among the letters was one from the Rochester Philatelic Society with an invitation to meet some of the members. This letter just missed me at Sidney and was forwarded to Howey so there was no opportunity to accept the invitation.

What I wanted to say under the heading about Better Service For Our Readers, was that any and all mail containing news matter of any nature or which contains complaints of any nature should be sent to our office in Sidney, Ohio. Mr Rueth handles all of the news matter that goes into this paper. Here in Howey I write only the editorials and from time to time some article on stamps. All of the other matter is handled and passed on by Mr. Rueth. If sent to me I can only forward it to Sidney which invariably makes a delay of one week and then it is handled there. Also in the matter of complaints, All business with all advertisers is through our Sidney office. I have no information or contacts with these matters here in Howey so I can not take proper action. Thus all of these matters must go through our office in Sidney and only in this manner can you get prompt and proper fice in Sidney and only in this manner can you get prompt and proper

However I am always glad to hear from any reader and will always try to reply with the best information or advice that I can offer where such is solicited.

Using Commemoratives On Your Mail

I referred to this matter some few weeks ago and sure enough I have a couple letters from collectors who have had parcels from our office in Sidney which contained high value stamps rather than a flock of commemoratives. For instance one parcel with a 50c Prexy and a new 4c Lincoln. Then there was another parcel that had over a dollar postage and these were high value Prexies. I can only say that our office receives many dollars in remittances from collectors and dealers, which come to us in the form of high value postage stamps. We have no way of disposing of these stamps other than to use them on mail. We could discount them at from 3% to 8% and take a big loss on them, but that would be poor business. Naturally if a postage amount is in high value we try to use up these high value stamps. If we can have cash remittances instead of postage we will endeavor to get the best possible stamps to use on our mail. I do know that we use several thousand commemoratives stamps every month on our mail. Most all small parcels go with commems.

One dealer writes that the reason so many meters come on dealers mail is that the dealers take their parcels to the post office and put them thru the Parcel Post window and pay the postage there. In these cases the majority of offices use a meter strip. We do not do this. We weigh our own parcels, compute the postage on them and put on in stamps and then send them to the post office by truck. Only occasionally may we put one through the Parcel Post window and get a meter strip on it.

That Stamp Problem Again

We are still getting letters from collectors who insist they had We are still getting letters from collectors who insist they had the right answer and we of course agree with them for any answer that will work out correctly is a right answer. Perhaps we should have been a bit more careful in stating the problem and made the rules such that the number of correct answers would be cut down considerably. If we had stated that none of the men who sold stamps received as much as one dollar for all he sold, the probability of many different answers would have been greatly reduced. However the main point is that a prize was offered to each of the first persons from each state, who would supply a correct answer. We accepted as correct, any answer that proved to be correct and sent the cards awarding winners a 30 word classified ad. If you did not get such a card you will understand that someone else in your state beat you to the answer and that is all there is about it.

Let's Help The Veterans

On my return home I found awaiting me exactly ten letters from offices of the Veterans Administration in all parts of the country. These were all letters of thanks and appreciation for stamps that I had first sent to Mr. George Silberberg, Philatelic Hobbies for the Wounded, 2122 Wallace Avenue, New York 62, N. Y. I sent Mr. Silberberg a large box of stamps for the Veterans. He in turn broke these up into many smaller lots and sent them to the various Veterans Hospitals. I believe that many of our readers had also sent Mr. Silberberg some Philatelic material and that this was also distributed. Anyhow the various letters indicate this and thank both myself and our readers for material received. The letters clearly indicate that stamps and stamp supplies are very welcome at these hospitals and that they are doing much good for the boys and that they are greatly appreciated. I am sure that there are many collectors who can help in sending such material and it is quite easy to ship it all in one box to Mr. Silberberg and let him split it up among hospitals all over the country. So dig into what you have kicking around and let the boys have it to work over.

New Mexican Set Of Picture Postal Cards

Mexico is a nation which issues picture postal cards on which stamps are impressed for postage prepayment. In late July, on an unknown date, the Postal Adminis-

tration released a set of ten all of which have different colored views.

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Air Force First Day Figures, Other Data

Figures released by the Post Ofrighter released by the Post Office Department show that the 6c Air Force commemorative stamp of August 1 received an excellent welcome from collectors. First Day covers totalled 356,683; 445,340 of the stamps were sold. Total sales on the first day were \$26,720.40.

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The stamp was designed by Alexander Nagy, Jr. and modeled by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr. The vignette was engraved by Arthur W. Dintaman; the lettering and numeral by George A. Payne.

The Magsaysay stamp was designed by Arnold Copeland, the illustrative work was done by Ervine Metzl, and production was supervised by William H. Buckley. All three are New Yorkers and members of the Stamp Advisory Committee.

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The portrait of Magsaysay, the torch and the red stripe of the ribbon were engraved by Charles A. Brooks, the spray of leaves by Richard M. Bower, the lettering by George L. Huber, and the blue stripe of the ribbon and the "8c" by John S. Edmondson.

The Department announced also that the 3c Armed Forces Reserve and the 3c Andrew Mellon commemoratives were removed from sale by the Philatelic Agency at the close of business July 31.

Tennessee Cachet Has Striking Design

The 52nd annual Tennessee State The 52nd annual Tennessee State Fair to be held in Nashville the week of September 16-21 will again be accorded philatelic recognition. An appropriate cacheted envelope is being offered at 10c each or 3 for 25c. The design is a development of the United States shield with the upper area in blue and the

with the upper area in blue and the stripes in red.



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Lansdowne, Pa. Club Reelects Full Slate

All officers of the Lansdowne, Pa. Stamp Club in the past year were recently reelected for the year starting July 1. They are: Werner Ruthenburg, president; Newton Landis, vice president; Luther Pfiester, secretary and Ted Saulnier, treasurer.

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The next "Hubbard Revenue Handbook" to be released by the Society will cover most 20th Century Philippine Revenue Stamps, along with their approximate market value.

The two handbooks and a list of over 300 collectors of State Revenues are available from the SRS at Box 278, Northridge, Cal, at \$3 each. The price of the list of collectors includes a year's membership in the Society, and the quarterly organ "The State Revenue Journal".

Corwith Wagner Dies, St. Louis Collector

C. Corwith Wagner, well known collector of U. S. Postal History material, died in St. Louis August 13, after a long illness. He was a student of Western postal history, and his collections won numerous prizes at their frequent showings. He was a member of many

He was a member of many prominent philatelic organizations and historical societies, and con-tributed much by his research of early postal history.

1957 STAMP PROGRAM Aug. 31 — Magsaysay 8c, Wash-ington, D. C. (48 per pane, 40 mil-

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Sept. 3 — Special Delivery 30c, Indianapolis, Ind. (50 per pane; covers require 3c or 6c postage in addition to new stamp).
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You will have to remember that your first day covers of the new 30c Special Delivery coming September 3 at Indianapolis, Ind. are going to take at least another stamp — a 3c for surface mail, or 6c for airmail. That's because the special delivery pays only for the extra service accorded your message. It takes the others to actually prepay the postage fee. It will be up to you to choose the 3c or 6c stamp to be affixed to the envelopes before you send them away for the first day service. You might choose an appropriate commerm with a transportation theme such as the AAA, B & O or Trucking — or the Indiana would be quite desirable since the first day is in that state — o: the recently issued 4c Flag.

Desirable airmails, if you have some of these stached away somewhere, would be the Eagle 6c of 1938; Wright 6c of 1949; Powered Flight 6c of 1953; 4c Eagle of 1954 (to which you will have to add another 2c worth).

I would suggest that you leave sufficient space in the upper right hand corner of your envelope for the new 30c S.D. as that is where the post office will want to place it. Place the supplementary stamp or stamps alongside that space so that all can be postmarked with one pass through the automatic eancelling machine.

Follow these suggestions and you will help the post office employees You will have to remember that

Follow these suggestions and you will help the post office employees greatly, and develop desirable covers for your collections.

1. In what year was the current 20c special delivery stamp issued?
2. In what denominations have special delivery stamps been issued?

A campaign is going on to try to interest various organizations, individuals and the Post Office Department to release a commemorative to mark the centennial of the Butterfield Overland Mail. According to the sponsoring committee, which includes members in states of the mid- and southwest, the concern was the first to render east-west mail service. That was in 1858 and the mail-carrying was by stagecoach. by stagecoach.



As an individual I am 100% in As an individual I am 100% in back of such a stamp. It is the type of historical event which deserves philatelic recognition. The Post Office Department and the Stamp Advisory Committee might give this idea considerable study. I might even go so far as to suggest they get copies of the two commemoratives Australia issued in 1955 for the Cobb & Co. anniversary, to use as models for a design.

sary, to use as models for a design. The theme would be entirely appropriate for the Butterfield — in my opinion it is a beautiful picture, probably one of the most attractive Australia has ever produced.

The sponsoring committee has prepared four designs two of which are shown here. They have been reduced to near postage stamp size from large drawings.

If the Butterfield Overland Mail

commem seems desirable to you, drop a line to that effect to Rohe Walter, Special Asst. to the PMG, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D.C.

Austria is the country specialized in the current edition of Linn's. This is one of my pets chiefly be-cause of the outstanding excellence

cause of the outstanding excellence of the designs and engraving of the issues from around 1920 on. I do not get into the early Austrians — just the 20th century commems, regulars, airmails and semipostals. If you like beautifully engraved stamps turn to Austria. The post World War II issues are quite inexpensive, and oh so pretty. I'll have some pages from my Austrian collection in the Court of Honor at MAVEX, in the Butler Art Institute. Youngstown. Ohio

September 27 and 28. I have been invited to be a judge of the exhibition and have accepted. The show is sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Stamp Club.

Butterfield Overland Mail Show, Booklet

A celebration and stamp exhibition to mark the centennial of the

Now and again someone sends

Now and again someone sends an envelope or postal card on which the postmark is not normal—such as the date or time lines being inverted. Such things are not of any value.

These lines are changed by the clerks for each new day, and a number of times during the day as the clock advances hour by hour. It is quite possible that the slug inserted into the device is entered upside down and this makes the oddity until the clerk discovers it and rearranges it correctly.

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Dr. Horace K. Richardson of Baltimore, Md. has sent the following information which is pertinent and of considerable historical and philatelic interest. He writes—
In the August 5 issue of your interesting stamp newspaper I note that under the description of the new stamp to be issued at Bath, Maine you state that it is to commemorate "the 350th anniversary of shipbuilding in America," as the first ship built in America.

I regret to tell you that this is in error and has been repeated in books, magazine articles, etc. for many years. As a matter of fact there were at least sixteen hips built in what is now the United States long before the VIRGINIA was launched at the Popham Colony at the mouth of the Kennebec River in 1607.

For the last five years I have been engaged in a piece of marine research on the subject of shipbuilding in the New World and in the United States. All of my statements can be verified by information in the Library of the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, as well as many of the larger libraries in this country.

If you use the term, "America" as originally used to include North, Central and South America as well as the Caribbean with its numerous islands the first ship built in "America" was built in 1495 on the north shore of the Island of Haiti. After an early and disastrous hurricane sailed into the Caribbean in July of 1495 Columbus lost all of his feet except the stout little NINA. Columbus had shipwrights at Isabella on Haiti and at once began to build a replica of the NINA in which to return to Spain. This ship was successfully built and lauched and was the first ship built in the New World and in America.

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built in the New World and in America.

If the term "America" is limited to the present geographical confines of the United States the first ship built herein was constructed by De Ayllon on the River Jordan near Cape Fear in North Carolina in 1526. De Navarez built five ships in Florida in 1528. Moscoso built seven ships on the Mississippi, near the present Red River, in 1543. Barre', the Frenchman. built a ship near Beaufort, South Carolina in 1562 for the purpose of getting the members of his unsuccessful colony back to France. Ribault in 1562 also built a ship near Port Royal, Florida for the same purpose and Sir Richard Grenville built a "pinnasse" on the Island of St. John in Virginia in 1585. All of these examples of shipbuilding from 1526 to 1585 in what is now the United States antidate the building of the VIRGINIA by many years. The VIRGINIA was no

tion to mark the centennial of the Butterfield Overland Mail will be held September 13-15 in the cities of Atoka and Durant, Okla. The Butterfield system operated in 1858 between St. Louis, Mo. and Memphis, Tenn., and San Francisco, Calif.

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phis, Tenn., and San Francisco, Calif.

During the affair, and as a means of underwriting a part of the expenses incurred, a new booklet. "Butterfield Overland Mail, One Hundred Years Ago", will be sold. This is a newly written work by Murial H. Wright, of the Okiahoma Historical Society. In it, along with much detailed information about the original undertaking, is a map of the old route. Other related illustrations are also included. Orders for the booklet should be sent to Dr. James D. Morrison, Department of History, Southeastern State College, Durant, Okla. The price is 55c (stamps not accepted) and the item will be franked with the recent Oklahoma semi-centennial stamps and post-

semi-centennial stamps and post-marked with the special centennial cancellation.

Mrs. Edwin E. Elkins Called By Death

A well-liked and well known philatelic personality was claimed by death on August 3. She is Anna V. Elkins of Brooklyn, N. Y. Burial services were on August 7 in St. Vincent Ferrer Church with burial in Calvary Cemetery.

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Mrs. Elkins was well known for her interest in philatelic affairs in the Brooklyn-New York City area. She attended most of the shows and other outstanding philatelic events in the company of her husband Edwin, a former president of the Collectors Club.

She held memberships in the Women's International Stamp Club and the American Topical Assn. Several topical collections of award-

and the American Topical Assn. Several topical collections of award-winning status were owned by her. She is survived by her husband Edwin, and a son, Norman G. Fibing.

doubt the first ship built by Englishmen in what is now New England.

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"SCRAMBLE MATERIAL". This souvenir sheet was prepared on one day's notice, according to Elmer S. Smith, P. O. Box 4782, Panama, Republic of Panama, and there aren't many of them — 3000 in fact. It was originally prepared and issued for the 6th Inter-American Congress of Municipalities at Panama City, August 16-19, 1956. It contains the designs of the one regular and two airmails issued in perforated sheets for this event. In its new use the sheet has been given some overprinting — just above the stamps is the line "VII CONGRESO AMERICANO DE CARRETERAS", and at the bottom. "1957" — both in black. Four stamps were also issued with "1957" - both in black. Four stamps were also issued with the first day on August 1.

The Danube And Black Sea Railway Local Post Service Had Short Route, Short Life

Gordon S. Beach

Exactly one stamp was issued by the Danube and Black Sea Railway for use on letters carried privately over its forty-six miles of track between the Danube River town of Czernawoda and the Black Sea port of Kustendje between 1867-1871. The story of this post is interesting and to understand its significance, a consideration of the geography of Eastern Europe and the means of communications between Central Europe and the Levant during the middle of the last century is necessary.

The map of Europe differed a great deal from its present aspect. In this eastern section Serbia and Bulgaria were the kingdoms which loomed most prominently, and there was also that area to the north of Bulgaria known as the Dobruja, and the Danubian provinces (Moldavia Danubian provinces (Moldavia and Wallachia), which were to become a part of Romania later.



The area near the mouth of the Danube 80-90 years ago.

But between Austria and Constantinople there were also many small semi-civilized states, and traffic by the generally poor roads was hazardous. The rail-

roads was hazardous. The railways had not yet developed in the Danube basin, and thus the great river Danube was still the main highway of travel, as it had been from time immemorial. As early as 1840 the Danube Steam Navigation Co. had organized an overland freight route between Czernawoda, on the east bank where the Danube swings abruptly northward, and Kustendje on the Black Sea. This short cut had been taken principally because of an increasing interference of the Russian quarantine at Sulina and their sloth antine at Sulina and their sloth about keeping the mouth of the river clear of silt.

Up the river from Czernawoda and back down the coast to Kusand back down the coast to Rus-tendje is a distance of some 240 miles, while overland between these towns it was only 40-odd miles, although this distance was through mountainous country.

The Danube and Black ailway was incorporated Sea Railway was incorporated in 1857 by an English company, and completed by 1860. From the foregoing facts is is obvious the venture was assured of success from the start. One train was run each way daily, conecting with the Danube Steam Naviga-tion Co. boats at Czernawoda and the Austrian Lloyd boats at Kustendje, the train journey tak-ing about 2½ hours. Mail, pas-sengers and freight were carried.

The local post came into being in 1867 at which time the D.B.S.R. started a mail service between the three towns along the line, Czernawoda, Medjide and Kustardia Th.D.B.S.B. Czernawoda, Medjidie and Kus-tendje. The D.B.S.R. stamps were applied to loose letters at one of the three towns on the rail-

way.
Government mail bags under seal, carried by contract on the steamboat company's boats, and trans-shipped via the railway, when doing so would the station-master at Czernawoda.

save time, were not charged a postal fee. Loose letters forward-ed by this short route or to the towns along the line used the stamp.



Denwod Kelly, in his article in the London Philatelist of May, 1951 (Vol. LX. No. 698) points out that most of the covers examined by him were those bearing the D.B.S.R. stamps in combination with the stamps of the Austrian Levant or Lombardy-Venetia.

He concluded from the numbers of examples found with the Lloyd Agency markings that the Agency handled the stamps of the Railway Company as a convenience for those who wanted to use this lead service or who to use this local service, or who, because of the destination of the letters, had to use the local

It is interesting to note that the title "Local Post" is in English and also that the abbreviation D.B.S.R. which designates the company's name is also in English. The corner symbols and English. The corner symbols and the value are, however, in Turk-ish.

Mr. Kelly, in the same article, Mr. Kelly, in the same article, notes a variety of printing differences. He also discusses perforation, paper, gum, post markings and the use of these stamps. There are also several plates showing covers postally used, and a bibliography of other printed matter about these stamps. Data on the reprints was published in a later copy of and a bibliography of other printed matter about these stamps. Data on the reprints was published in a later copy of the London Philatelist (Vol. LX, June 1951, No. 703, Pages 81-86). The perforations of these stamps are unique since they were made by a scalloped punch (Fig. 1) either before delivery to the DRSR or by the postal

to the D.B.S.R. or by the postal agents who perforated them be-fore sale. The paper used was of a good quality and woven with an easily discernible mesh. It was colored a rather bright green, on which the design was printed in black.

Three types of postmarks on the original stamps are known. They are shown in Figs. 2, 3 and 4. Most known covers are marked with the Fig. 2 single lined circular date canceller which was the standard mark of the Austrian Lloyd Steamship Co.'s postal agency at Kustendje.

This postmark is also found on Austrian Levant mail and is in-cluded in Edwin Mueller's handbook of Austrian postmarks.



Fig. 2

Fig. 4 has been recorded by several prominent collectors among whom are Denwood N. Kelly. However he felt its genuineness could not as yet be fully substantiated.



Manuscript cancellations in ink

are occasionally encountered.

It might give this little known adhesive a certain philatelic standing to mention that Edwin Mueller includes it on Page 140 of his Specialized Catalogue of Austria 1850-1918.



Fig. 4

The story of the Danube and Black Sea Railway with its wee stamp issue is a fragment from the postal history of the Danube Steam Navigation Co. which had issued its own stamps in 1866. Any one wishing information about this great river carrier and its private postal service will find research rewarding.

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And so ends a short story of a short railway.

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70-71	Dr. Weizmann	.80	3.50	9.00	3.50	1.10
72	Bilu	.50	3.50	8.50	2.60	1.10
73	Independence 1953	.50	3.65	6.60	2.60 1.75	1.15
74	Maimonides	.35	2.45	5.00	2.25	1.25
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93	Parachutists	.35	2.25	5.00	1.50	1.15
94-99	Youth	.90	2.35	7.00	3.75	2.25
100-103		.35	.70	2.50	1.50	.95
104	M. David	.15	.50	1.75	70	.75
105-116	Tribes	.80	1.00	4.00	3.25	2.50
117	Dr. Einstein	.30	1.25	3.50	1.25	.85
118	Technion	.27	.50	1.75	1.20	. 70
119	Independence 1956	.15	.50	1.45	.65	.85
120	Citrus	.25	.75	2.40	1.10	.75
121-123	Festival 1956	.20	.45	1.25	.90	10.00
124-126	Defense	.55	4.00	10.00	3.30	.40
127	Independence 1957	.18	.21	.80	1.10	.60
128	Bezalal	.27	.30	1.15	1.50	.70
129-131		.35	.45	1.60	1.30	32.50
C1-6	1st Airmails	12.25	28.50 10.00	90.00 25.00	9 50	3.00
C7-8	Taba Exhib.	2.00	3.25	8.50	4.50	4.75
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Bosnia Herzegovina First Issue -The Historical Background

Fred Rafael

For some years now I have concentrated much of my philatelic activity on the stamps and history of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Bosnia (for short) has a number of very attractive stamps, interesting color and perforation varieties, and seemed like a limited field with no new issues. There are two handbooks on the subject: Adolf Passer's "Die Postwertzeichen von Bosnien und der Herzegowina", Prag 1930, and "Prirucnik Maraka Jugoslavenskih Zemalja, Volume 1, Bosnia and Herzegovina 1878—1918", Zagreb.

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ground.

Curious as I am by nature, I wanted to know more about the background and the reasons why certain things happened — when one deals with European history, and particularly with Austrian politics, things can get rather

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On June 13, 1878 the Congress of Berlin met under the presidency of Prince Bismarck of Germany. The other powers represented were Great Britain, Austria-Hungary, Russia and Turkey. A treaty was signed July 13. Article XXV runs as follows:

"The provinces of Bosnia and Hercegovina shall be occupied and administered by Austria-Hungary. The government of Austria-Hungary, not desiring to undertake the administration of the sanjak of Novi-Bazaar . . . the Ottoman administration will continue to exercise its functions here. Nevertheless . . . Austria-Hungary reserves the right of keeping garrisons and having military and commercial roads in the whole of this part of the ancient village of Bosnia."

The Treaty of Berlin was the (temporary) end of a long development in European diplomacy, which for decades had tried successfully to avoid a general European war. The Congress of Berlin was called for the express purpose of drastically revising the Treaty of San Stefano, which on March 3, 1878 had ended the Russo-Turkish war, and which would have established Russia and Russian influence in the Balkan peninsula.

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To prevent Russian domination there and to keep the straits (the Bosporus and the Dardanelles) out of Russian hands, the European powers intervened and forced Russia to accept the Treaty of Berlin. (Circumstances have changed since then and so nave some of the actors, but other powers still are keeping Russia away from the straits).

At the Congress of Berlin Austria-Hungary could have secured approval for full annexation of Bosnia and Hercegovina, if she had wished, but mainly for reasons of internal politics she preferred the more provisional formula of occupation. To understand the motives and consideration which led to this decision, we will have to go back a little

stand the motives and consideration which led to this decision, we will have to go back a little further in Austrian history.

How far back the problems of nationalities and languages in Austria started is a matter of opinion. You can go back to the year 1515, when Emperor Maximilian I arranged marriages between his grandchildren and the children and heirs of the king of Bohemia and Hungary, which marriages supplied the foundation for the claims of the House of Habsburg, to the thrones and crowns of Bohemia and Hungary. However, the Bohemian estates denied the validity of the Habsburg title and claimed the right to elect their king themselves, then unanimously elected Ferdinand I of Austria King of Bo-

hemia while demanding from him considerable diminutions of his sovereign rights.

The Hungarian Estates recognized no alternatives to election. The opposition elected John Zapolya; the Habsburg party, Ferdinand, who had to accept important restrictions on his sovereign rights. The diet of Croatia voted for Ferdinand, the Estates of Slavonia elected Zapolya. War broke out between the two, Zapolya appealed to the Turks for help, and Sultan Suleiman advanced and besieged Vienna in 1529. vanced 1529.

Or perhaps you want back only as far as he Reforma-tion and the Hussites, or the Counter-Reformation, the Battle at the White Mountain and the

Counter-Reformation, the Battle at the White Mountain and the subset of the Bohemian nobility and the reduction of three-quarters of the Bohemian nobility and the reduction of the Czechs to serfdom.

Time and again the centralizing tendencies had to give way to compromises with the Estates when money was needed for the conduct of wars to uphold Habsburg power in various parts of Europe, and the Estates of Bohemia and Hungary in particular were jealously guarding their privileges, and in effect, guarding their national rights.

Later the theories of "Enlightenment" and even the French revolution had little immediately noticeable influence. It took time for the ideas of "liberty" and "equality" to do more than revive the literature of nationalities in Austria. Napoleon's campaigns helped in spreading these ideas, which, though suppressed by reactionary governments, developed clandestinely during 33 years.

When revolution swept through most of Europe in 1848, unrest broke out in Budapest, Prague and Vienna. At first Hungarians and Czechs demanded their "historic rights" in addition to other reforms, but soon they went further, particularly in Hungary, where Louis Kossuth and his followers proclaimed for complete independence and a rump parlia-

where Louis Kossuth and his followers proclaimed for complete independence and a rump parliament declared the dynasty of Habsburg-Lorraine dethroned.

After suppression of the revolts by the army (in Hungary, with the help of the Russian army), almost all reforms of 1848 were abolished and an absolutistic and centralistic government was instituted that favored the Germans, the aristocracy, and particularly the aristocracy, and particularly clerical circles. It lasted ten years. It was Austria's unfortunate foreign policies that made domes-

foreign policies that made domestic changes inevitable, and especially urgent after the loss of Lombardy in 1859. From this moment on, Austrian internal policies were dominated by the fights between the various nationalities. The Germans tried to maintain their power against the Hungarians, Slavs and Italians; some Hungarians wanted autonomy, others complete independence. Some Czechs wanted the use of their language in the schools, in the courts and in all government offices in Bohemia, and the other countries of the "Bohemian Crown"; others, sought full autonomy. The Hungarians objected to autonomy for the Czechs and other Slavs, and the Czechs were against concessions to the Hungarians tic changes inevitable, and espe-

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and Croats protested against suppression by the Hungarians and other nationalities—Poles, Ruthenes, Slovenes and Serbs. Germans made their own demands. In addition there was the conflict between the liberals and the clerical party. In spite of many constitutional experiments, none of these conflicts was resolved until the end of World War I, except one. cept one.

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After the defeat of the Austrian Army by the Prussians at Sadova (Koniggratz) in 1866, negotiations with the Hungarian moderates that had been under way for months were speeded up and the Hungarian Compromise was concluded early in 1867. This treaty established the Austro-Hungarian Empire on a dualistic basis with a remnant of unity, and with the emperor in complete control of the enemy. A Hungarian ministry, responsible to the Hungarian parliament, was appointed. The Austrian ministry was responsible to the Austrian parliament.

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Austria and Hungary were united only in the person of the sovereign and in a few common institutions. These included the ministries of foreign affairs, war and finance (the last two only for affairs of common interest), and the Austrian and Hungarian delegations, composed of representagations composed of representa-tives of both halves of the em-pire, which were to debate on common affairs in Vienna and Budapest alternately.

After the necessary laws were

passed, Francis Joseph was crowned King of Hungary. Since then the Hungarian government and institutions bore the ittle "Koniglich Ungarisch" or abbreviated in Hungarian language (Magyar Kiralyi), Royal Hungarian, K. Ung. As sovereign of the Austrian part of the empire Francis Joseph was emperor of Austria, King of Bohemia, etc., etc.

The Austrian government and its institutions hence were "Kaiserlich Koniglich" (imperial royal) abbreviated "K.K.", and the institutions common to Austria and Hungary were "Kaiser-(Continued on page 9)

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51	Herzl	50	2.95	2.40	.48	.90	7.50	28.00
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Przemsyl Siege Marked End Of Balloon As Mail Carrier

As did many other European nations, Austria figured in the early development of the balloon and airplane, and in their use in carrying mail. But her greatest claim to honors in this field lies perhaps in a "last" rather than a "first".

For it was at the town of Przemysl during the Russians' second siege, early in 1915, that the balllon which had figured so prominently during the Paris siege 45 years earlier, was last used as an emergency carrier of mail: Five balloons without pilots, each carrying 600 blue cards similar to the above (cacheted "Balloonpost" instead of "Fliegerpost"), were sent out January 20, 1915. Two fell into the hads of the post"), were sent out January 20, 1915. Two fell into the hands of the

Russians.

At least one subsequent flight was made, by airplane, as indicated by the above pink card with "Fliegerpost Przemysl/1915" cachet and further notation "Przemysl to Kuschan". It is dated February, 7, 1915, and bears a personal message written in German.

The five flights of January 20 and the subsequent airplane trip marked the last gasp of the balloon, and the final and complete assumption of responsibility by the heavier-than-air craft, in the field of airmail transportation, save for an occasional stunt or exhibition balloon ascension.

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA (Continued from page 8)

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This Compromise remained in force to the end of the monarchy, thanks primarily to the unswerving support of the emperor. It was strongly opposed by the Slavs in Austria. The Czechs in turn opposed it because it appeared to strengthen the position of the Germans in Austria and because it definitely incorporated the related Slovaks into Hungary. In Hungary the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes had lost any chance of national autonomy, and feared loss of their old-established rights and privileges.

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In 1871 the Czechs in Austria demanded a status similar to Hungary's for Bohemia, and, among other things, that Austrias should be dismembered into separate States. Neither the emperor nor the Germans, nor the Hungarians were willing to accept this. The Hungarians at the same time had gotten into serious trouble with the Croatians.

Under these circumstances it is understandable that neither the Austrian nor the Hungarian and Herzegovina, when this was suggested at the Congress of Berlin in 1878. Each government desired not to increase the number and the power of the Slavs in its respective half of the empire.

In spite of the Hungarian Compromise, major, minor, and even petty rivalries and disputes between Austrian and Hungarian authorities continued and necessitated all kinds of compromises. One of the minor ones is described in my article "Postal History of Bosnia & Herzegovina, in the February-March, 1955 issue of the BUILLETIN of the AUSTRIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY. It involved the replacement of a Hungarian Fieldpost director by an Austrian.

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The design showed the Austrian coat-of-arms and the denomina-tion without any inscription whatsoever. Here again the lan-guage problems of Austria-Hun-gary played their part. The stamps were issued primarily for the use of the civilian population. in Bosnia, since military person-nel did not have to pay for post-

Most of the inhabitants however, were illiterate. The stamps,

on the other hand, were issued by the K.u.K. army, the command language of which was German, which, in turn, was barely under-stood by many of the troops. Be-sides, Hungarians would undoubtsides, Hungarians would undoubtedly have protested against German language stamps. The solution—no language—was one of those compromises which a student of things Austrian occasionally has the opportunity of enjoying.

Because the first issue was lithographed and because it was not printed in the usual place, little documentation about this issue is available. It is known that it was meant as a provisional issue only.

many colors and shades, which only Gibbons of all the general catalogs tries to group (together with perforation varieties). Still, the specialist will not be satisfied with this listing, nor with the pricing in Gibbons, and will have to use Prirucnik as a yardstick.

Cancellations on the first issue form another interesting collection. During the military operations the fieldpost had maintained mobile post offices named Feldpostexpositur and Etappenpostant. As of November 16, 1879, 3½ months after the introduction of the Bosnian stamps, all post offices in Bosnian and Herzegovina were transformed into stationary military post offices (K.K. Militar Postant).

With military mail postage free, and in view of the very limited civilian demand, Feldpostexpositur and Etappenpostant cancellations on stamps are quite rare

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Postal History Group Organized In Israel

As a result of the interest and initiative of a number of advanced stamp collectors in the country, the Israel Postal History Society has been founded in Tel Aviv. It has the objective of promoting serious philatelic research and study into the postal history of the new nation and surrounding Middle East area.

F. W. Pollack, editor of "The

East area.

F. W. Pollack, editor of "The Holy Land Philatelist", is president of the new organization; Otto Hoffman is vice president. P. Kanner is secretary and L. Lapin treasurer. Veteran philatelist Dr. A. Ascher is honorary president.

The society has already set up study circles dealing with certain specialized problems of Israel. The address of the group is Rothschild Blvd. 39, Tel Aviv, Israel.



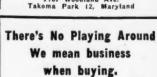
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with two exceptions. The three post offices maintained by Austria in the Sanjak of Novi-Bazaar retained the name Feldpostexpositur because the fieldpost organization was maintained in Turkish territory where Austria had only the right to maintain garrisons.

The other exception is the post office in Maglaj, where the cancellation "Etappenpostant No. 111" was usel until 1887. It seems that it took no less than nine years before this mistake was noticed and something was done about it.

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The 1867 issue of Austria with its two principal printings popularly distinguished as 'coarse beard' for the first, and "fine beard" for the second, is I feel, is one of the most interesting in existence and unfortunately is not collected to a sufficient degree. The stamps in many instances may be found at low cost and frequently in quantity, particularly the later printings.

With the large number of proofs in existence, the many covers obtainable and the quantity of associated material available, the collector searching for a specialized field should give serious consideration to the 1867 stamps.

Considerable detailed information is available concerning the fine and coarse beard issues, and more or less complete lists of perforation varieties, shades, cancellations, etc., are to be had for the collector deciding to concentrate on Austria deciding to concentrate on Austria 1867 as a specialty. A brief exami-nation of the background of this emission is most interesting:



heard design the "Fine" right.

For some time prior to 1867, Hungary had been attempting to obtain the right to self government without success. Finally in that obtain the right to self government without success. Finally in that year, the right to become a self governing state within the Empire was granted. This included an independent postal system. As no facilities were available and considerable time was necessary for the creation of these, certain temporary arrangements were made.

It was agreed to issue a stamp suitable for both Austria and Hunsuitable for both Austria and Hun-gary. The previous issue of 1863 was not to be used as it showed the word "Kreuzer" and the double eagle, both of which were Austrian and not Hungarian. The new stamp was to use the abbreviation "kr."

300 Dominican Sheets In Error

On July 18 the second of six scheduled Olympic commemora-tive sets of eight values was placed on sale to the general public at 8 a. m: in the main post office at Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic.

The distribution of miniature

These miniature sheets consisted of all eight stamps arranged concentrically about a square, the sheet measuring 5½" x 5½". There were three different symbols imprinted, viz: the Olympic Gold Medal, the Olympic Flag and the Dominican Republic Flag. These sheets were issued both perforated and imperforate, making a total of six different sheets.

Local ground rules required the

Local ground rules required the purchase of four complete sets of eight values of the regular and airmail issues, in order to be able airmail issues, in order to be able to purchase two of the miniature sheets. Therefore, in order to qualify as a purchaser of the complete set of six sheets, the collector had to buy a minimum of twelve sets of the regular and airmail issues at a total cost of \$7.44. The six sheets would then have cost him an additional \$7.44, making a total investment of \$14.88.

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At about 4 p. m., after these miniature sheets had been on sale about two hours, it was discovered by an official of the government, that the Dominican Republic's Flag has been printed with the colors reversed. At this point, the sale of the sheets was abruptly stopped. Orders already filled by the Philatelic Agency were opened and the misprinted sheets removed.

It is known that 210 sets of the

It is known that 210 sets of the Dominican Republic flag sheets perforated and imperforate were sold in the main post office, in very small quantities and mostly to collectors.

It is unofficially estimated that a total of 40 to 50 sets was sold by the Agency before the error was discovered. Therefore, the total number of sets of two sheets bearing the error is estimated at less than 300.

and the head of the Emperor Franz Josef. Stamps were to be produced in Vienna and supplied to Hungary. The die was engraved by Tautenhayn, the designer is not known. The emperor's head was copied from a photograph from a photograph.

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The first five values 2, 3, 5, 10 and 15Kr. were ordered May 25, and issued on June 1, 1867. The 25 and 50Kr. values were issued at a later date. These were primarily for use on money orders which were just being introduced. The series of stamps was valid in Hungary until June 30, 1871 when Hungary was able to produce its own stamps, and in Austria until October 31, 1884.

The manner of producing these stamps is the cause of many interesting and also preplexing problems. In the original printings there was an underlay of soft felt which served the purpose of making more prominent the center me. dallion showing the head of the emperor. The softness of the material permitted the paper which was also soft and coarse to take more ink and produce the so called coarse printings.

coarse printings.

As time elapsed, the underlay became flatter and firmer. This coupled with the usage of a thinner, harder paper resulted in an entirely different type of printing which was sharper and clearer, with finer lines, and is the "fine beard" in contrast to the earlier stamps. However, there are so many variations in printing results, and also so many transitional stages, that it becomes a frequent problem to differentiate clearly the stages of printing. The stamps frequently give the impression of arising from entirely different plates, which is not so.

The stamps were printed in

The stamps were printed in sheets of 400 with four panes of 100 each. Undivided sheets have never been discovered which makes the setting up of an entire sheet impossible to this date. Plating of the issue has been attempted by a number of collectors and thus far this has also not been successful.

There are many interesting facets There are many interesting facets to collecting this issue. The number of perforations that exist is quite large, as a result of the imperfect perforating machines. This necessitated the frequent switching

The distribution of miniature sheets, of which there were three varieties, differing only in the central symbol, was scheduled to begin at the same time, but they were not ready to be placed on sale until 2 p. m.

These miniature sheets consisted of all eight stamps arranged concentrically about a square, the sheet measuring 5½" Theorem were three different to another and caused combination perforations. The pins in the machines frequently loosened causing many irregular and missed perforations. Originally the stamps were sheet perforations, but later many were line perforations. These vary images three different to another and caused combination perforations. The pins in the machines frequent switching of a sheet from one machine to another and caused combination perforations. The pins in the machines frequently loosened causing many irregular and missed perforations. Originally the stamps were sheet perforations, but later many were line perforations. These wary in many combination perforations.

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tions.
The rarest item in existence is

the 3Kr. color error resulting from the insertion of a 3Kr. cliche in a plate setting of the 5Kr. stamp. A number of sheets was issued before the error was discovered, but only about 6 copies of the 3Kr. red are known. These are all used and emanate from the southern district of Hungary. The known cancellations are Becskerek, Kecskemet, Detta and Bruckenau. The date is probably 1867, late Septemdate is probably 1867, late September and early October.

ber and early October.

Actual plate flaws are very rare, and usually those thought to be flaws are merely the result of the many printing peculiarities. The paper varieties range from the early rough, thick, soft and uneven paper to the later thinner, finer and more brittle paper. The gum originally was yellowish and later became colorless.

The paper is watermarked with the word BRIEF-MARKEN across the sheet and many copies can be

the word BRIEF-MARKEN across the sheet and many copies can be found with an entire letter of the watermark on it. In 1883 the lettering of the watermark was altered somewhat, and such stamps are much more difficult to find.

In the early printings, there is a great variety of color shades found, but it is not possible to place definite dates of production with the shades. As time went on and the printing became finer, the shade variations also became less marked and an even appearance was attained.

The only value to have more

The only value to have more than one specific type is the 5Kr. Over 1¼ billion copies were printed.

of the ear is interrupted and also a color spot is frequently found connecting the lines of the ear. These probably resulted from the improper cleansing of a dirty plate.

Multiple pieces of the early printings are not common and some are extremely rare. Remains of the issue consisting of later printings were available at the post office for some time and sheets of 100 of the "fine beard" are occasionally seen.

The 25 and 50Kr. were used most.

The 25 and 50Kr, were used most, ly on money orders. Postally used on cover they are uncommon, having served usually on heavy registered mail to foreign countries. The tered mail to foreign countries. The lower values on cover are quite common. Some stationery cutouts were used for franking — this was unofficial but evidently not noticed in some cases. Only the 5Kr. is known with this usage.

Bisects of the 2Kr. are known with two other copies to make a 5Kr. franking. Other bisects are probably not genuine. Forgeries have been mentioned by some authorities but are extremely rare.

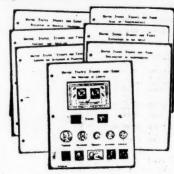
thorities but are extremely rare, However, forged cancellations are much more common and must be carefully watched for.

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The number of cancellations on this issue is tremendous and offers a fertile field for the interested collector. There are about 20,000 different in existence. Tracing the development of the various types of cancellations is an interesting sideline, particularly with the many postmasters' cancels which are in existence. existence.
For the Levant offices the same

Over 1¼ billion copies were printed. The frequent usage of the master die finally necessitated the production of a new die in 1872. The ornaments in the lower corners are different and the position of the figure 1870 is altered slightly. Basically the characteristics of the Austrian stamps hold true for the Levant issues, and the problems of dividing the fine from the coarse printing remain the same.

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1. To promote and encourage philately.
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Chairman of the exhibition was Edwin Mueller of WIPA fame. His co-chairmen were J. Henry West, incumbent president of Austria Philatelic Society and the late Felix Brunner, foremost Austrian collector and dealer of his time. With the active cooperation of the Austrian Government and the able assistance of Bernard Davis, founder of the National Philatelic Museum and also a member, the planning for this exciting event began in June of 1949. The beautiful and extensive exhibition resulting from the long and arduous labors that were entailed was ample gratification to all who participated.

In addition to some unique philatelic gems that were loaned by the Austrian Government, many beautiful works of art that emanated from Austrian looms, museums and ceramic centers were placed on show. The 200 frames exhibited cut a wide and memorable swath across the field of Austrian philately. Included were many fine and rare items.

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During the week-end ceremonies that marked the opening of the exhibition, many members from all over the country joined with the New York and Philadelphia chapters in the exercises celebrating the centenary. A symposium was conducted at the Museum during the first day of the ceremonies. A banquet at the Ritz Carlton Hotel culminated the official opening. Many distinguished guests attended and various awards and presentations were made.

The close harmony that existed among all who contributed their efforts towards the mainfest success of the exhibition was further reflected in the reception tendered at the Museum of Art in New York by the Austrian ambassador.

For the special occasion of the centenary the Austrian State Printing Works issued an air letter sheet with appropriate cancellation markings, coinciding its first day use with the opening of the exhibition. The National Philatelic Museum also published at the time a beautiful 148-page exhibition catalog of which 10,000 copies were printed for distribution. The work contributed by Bernard Davis, Joe Bush, Ralph S. Von Kohorn, Ernest Rosenfeld, Curtis Wilson and John Willetts to create this beautiful brochure should not here go unheralded. Another notable endeavor through which Austria Philatelic Society has truly enjoyed distinction and acclaim consistently since its formation is its monthly Bulletin. Hailed by the philatelic press, praised by

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Throughs this publication, its interesting and informative meetings, its ever-readiness to help its members and fellow philatelist alike, the Austria Philatelic Society has succeeded in establishing a strong bond between its members in all parts of the world. It shall constantly strive, as in the past, to impart knowledge, publicize new findings, re-interpret old facts for all who are interested in Austrian philately, whether it embrace classic or modern, specialized or general.

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Whether the postal adhesives, stationery and other emissions of Austria are your prime or secondary philatelic pursuit, both you and the Austria Philatelic Society will benefit greatly from your association with this energetic and constructive organization.

Austria's Best Philatelic Year

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1933 was without doubt the greatest year that Austrian philately ever enjoyed. Many of us remember this year's highlight, the WIPA exhibition in Vienna, if only for its exquisitely engraved semipostals and the souvenir sheet. But the exhibition itself was a model of careful preparation and successful staging under the chairmanship of Edwin Mueller and with the active cooperation of the then Austrian Minister of Commerce, Fritz Stockinger.

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At the WIPA, the Austrian government imprinted both regular and airmail stamps to order into envelopes and cards supplied by any visitor, and as a result a large variety of highly interesting private postal stationery exists from the show. It was estimated at this time that a total of 589 different varieties could legally have been printed, but rellegally have been printed, but rel-atively few of these are now seen

in the market.

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For airmail collectors, the year 1933 brought two Kronfeld glider flights to the Semmering, and the Graz-Maribor (Jugoslavia) glider flight with a variety of private stationery with imprinted stamps. In addition to the events already mentioned, no fewer than nine Austrian rocket mail flights also took place.

On July 13, 1933, just after the WIPA, the 4-country flight of the Austrian glider pioneer Kronfeld, took place. He toured Austria, Switzerland, Italy and Hungary, and three special official cards were issued by the Austrian government for it. These cards appear to have had the smallest sale of any postal paper ever officially issued by Austria—an average of less than 2000 copies per card exists.

Three other semipostal sets were issued by Austria that year, a record for the period before World War II. The first FIS set appeared in conjunction with the ski championships at Innsbruck on January 9; the stamps commemorating the 250th anniversary of the relief of Vienna from siege by the Turks, appeared September 6. Of each of them 50,000 complete sets were printed.

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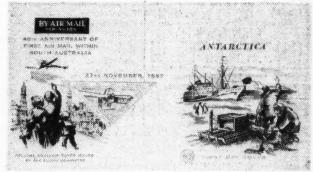
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American Artist Does New Belgian Stamp

To mark the fourth biennial exhibition of sculpture at Anvers, Belgium May 25—September 15, the government released, August 20, a commemorative stamp of 2.50 france value.



The subject of the new adhesive is the "Kneeling Woman" statue by Wilhelm Lehmbruck (1881-1919) who is regarded as perhaps Germany's greatest sculptor of his era. The original is in Stuttgart, Germany; a bronze copy is in the New York Museum of Modern Art. The stamp was designed by Jean Van Noten of Winter Park, Fla. and Brussels, Belgium; engraving was by the Malvaux firm of Brussels. Printing in sheets of 50 was by heliogravure.

Israel-Palestine Meeting In Hollywood

The Israel-Palestine Philatelic Society of Los Angeles, a unit of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs, will hold its next meeting August 25 at the Havenhurst House of Hollywood's Temple Beth El, at

1 p.m.
Guest speaker will be D. Day who will exhibit and discuss the first airmail issues of Israel.

Various important subjects of in-terest to all will be discussed, and a trading session will be held.



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Are current stamp prices too high?

Judging from our mail, some collectors seem to think so and as far as some of the more speculative fields are concerned, only time will tell whether they are right. As far as the general run of the issues of the European countries and their colonies, of Latin America and of the independent Asian and African states is concerned, prices seem to us to be surprisingly low.

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It is no exaggeration to say that American collectors today are buying foreign stamps at prices that are probably the lowest in the world. This may seem to be a rather sweeping statement, but dealers in the know, especially those with contacts abroad, are well aware that the grave current shortage of medium and bettergrade material surpasses anything within memory. within memory.

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Certainly there is always plenty of common material around, althrough the large approval dealers also report being hard-pressed for good buys in cheap, colorful issues suitable for their particular type of operation. Trying to find anything the least bit out of the ordinary in quantity is "like pulling teeth" nowadays.

The stocks of the handful of real wholesale dealers in world-wide issues here and abroad seem to have reached near rock-bottom, with only new and recent arrivals still plentiful. Retailers find that many items which they have sold out either can not be replaced at all or can be restocked only at higher cost than that which they had just charged their collector customers!

Continental dealers who years ago were anxious to sell the very cream of their stocks to get some of our greenbacks now employ agents to buy material in this country at full retail prices which very often are lower than European wholesale prices!

Foreign sets that once upon a time could be purchased in full sheets must now be painstakingly picked up in two's or three's, here and there. The dealer who continues to sell his better modern foreign material at "half catalogue" at a time when Scott's quotations are often a year or two behind the actual market will be in for a rude awakening when he tries to replace it.

This is especially true of all the more difficult topical issues which seem sure to double and triple in value over the next few years. In view of our "creeping inflation' here and market conditions abroad, it appears to your columnists that better foreign postage stamps are largely underpriced in this country at the present time.

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What about the market picture as far as British Commonwealth issues are concerned? The situa-tion is not quite so drastic because issues are concerned? The situation is not quite so drastic because of the number of old-established London firms which have built their Colonial stocks for generations. Even so, while you can still pick up suitcases full of certain mint King George VI and Queen Elizabeth II material, the going gets tougher when you start looking for better-grade items and earlier material.

Should the economic outlook in Great Britain improve perceptiably so that the ordinary English collector can afford to buy the stamps he needs and wants, then we may look for a decided upturn in the price picture for British Colonials of all periods.

It is, after all, the new purchasing power of the millions of German, Italian, and other continental collectors which is primarily 1-sponsible for the ever increasing shortage of material and the resulting steadily rising prices.

Here is an intriguing mystery: the elease of the three additional Ghana Independence overprints on QEII Gold Coast pictorials which were supp sed to appear June 6

QEII Gold Coast pictorials which were supp sed to appear June 6 to replace the Prime Minister Nkrumah portrait stamps, was indefinitely postponed by the new country's postal authorities. But mixtures of common G han a stamps have yielded commercially used copies of these supposedly unissued 2d, 2½d and 4d provisionals! sionals!

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The earliest dates so far found were late May and the cities concerned Bonni, Sekondi and Nk.wkan. Recent Ghana covers that come your way should therefore be examined with care, they may turn out to be quite valuable. Of course, the future of these provisional stamps, cancelled or uncancelled, hinges entirely on what will

be done by Ghana.

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Should they be released generally, as seems likely, then succovers or early postmarks will have a certain curiosity value, but that's all. If the authorities should decide not to release the three added provisionals, the copies that have slipped out, mint or used, ould become collector's items.

Stamps are big business, as if you didn't know. The London Crown Agents who serve dealers exclusively sold 18 million stamps during 1956 to the tune of \$1,167,000. Of this total, \$336,000 worth went to U.S. and Canadian professionals, North America's 1956 purchases therefore had a retail value of roughly half a million dollars. What was your shape of this total?? Shame on you, is that all you spent?

Jordan has ordered a set commemorating the withdrawal of the last British troops from their three remaining bases at Amman, Mafraq and Aquaba. And where was

remaining bases at Amman, Ma-fraq and Aquaba. And where was this printing order placed? You're right, in Britain! Unofficial estimates place the figures issued of the Bermuda "Ocean Yacht Race" overprints at 601,000 of the 8d and 286,550 of the 1/3.

It is considered a certainty that Canada will release a Royal Visit stamp this fall when Queen Elizabeth will pay the Dominion a visit. Collectors and dealers who are doing business with their counterparts in India are advised to be careful, as the import of stamps into 'India has been completely banned and scores of letters and packages containing such 'contraband' have already been impounded.

band have already been impounded.

The reason for this drastic measure is that India suffers from a severe shortage of foreign currencies (her imports by far exceed her exports) and that stamps are apparently considered a frivolous luxury.

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Hitherto, Indian dealers and collectors have been remitting funds abroad by various means, some legal and some not so legal, and apparently the authorities are determined to stop this trickle. Somehow, this all seems rather petty for a huge sub-continent like India with its enormous population and its insistence on what it believes to be its proper place of importance in world affairs.

Amongst life's smaller blessings is the fact that Scott lists only the denominations up to 5 Pounds of the present New Zealand Postal-Fiscal stamps of the Coat-of-Arms type, thus following the lead of the English Gibbons catalogue.

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Austrian Postal Bus Service Publicized With Commem On Completion Of Fifty Years

On June 14 Austria issued a commemorative for the 50th anniversary of the Austrian Postal Bus Service. This item had a lot of general appeal among stamp collectors for in many other nations this same type service exists. It is just a bit different in the United States where the vehicles are devoted solely to the carrying and sorting of mail and do not carry paying passengers. The stamp was a reasonably attractive one produced from engraved plates. The design was in a dark gray which was printed on a yellow-toned paper.

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and passengers in connection with the "Royal and Imperial Military Post" in Bosnia and Herzegovina. As this new means of conveyance proved satisfactory, motor vehicles began to receive more and more attention. Both the Ministry of Commerce and the Postal and Telegraph Administration — Dr. Friedrich R. Wagner von Jauregg, who took a keen interest in motorization, had been the head of the latter Administration since 1906 — began to consider plans for the introduction of this service.

In July 1907 they decided to open a motor route between Neumarkt and Predazzo in South Tyrol. At that time, Tyrol was already a center of tourism and maintained a great number of post-chaise lines. Therefore it was only natural to set up an experimental motor route in this area. Preliminary discussions were held on July 6, 1907 between Dr. Wresounig, postal commissioner. Count Ceschi, provincial counsellor of Tyrol, and Dr. Albert von Trentini, the official in charge of traffic affairs. This coincided with the beginning of the tourist season and services were already operating on many postal routes in Tyrol by July 1. After intensive preparation, production of the neecssary vehicles in a record time of eight weeks, and several trial runs, the route was opened on August 6, 1907.

In two festively decorated Daimler omnibuses — 17-seat open vehicles with a rigid roof — the inaugural trip proved "most enjoyable". Among the guests there were Hofrat Hofer of the Ministry of Commerce and the head of the Royal and Imperial PTT Directoret of Inspection.

were Hofrat Hofer of the Ministry of Commerce and the head of the Royal and Imperial PTT Directorate of Innsbruck, Hofrat Dr. Trnka. Director General Dr. Wagner-Jauregg, who had inspected the route the day before by car, welcomed the guests and invited them to a banquet.

In addition to the two Daimler omnibuses used for the initial run, a freight-van was put into service

omnibuses used for the initial run, a freight-van was put into service the following day. The demands on the vehicles in respect of operational safety and reliability were very high on this particular route. Extending over 38 kilometres, there was a difference in elevation of 600 metres on every 13 kilometres, the maximum gradient being 10 per cent. This accounts for the time the Daimler vehicles took to cover the route — in level sections they "easily reached a speed of 22 kilometres an hour". According to the winter Postal Schedule, the outward journey was supposed to take 4 hours 30 min-

Schedule, the outward journey was supposed to take 4 hours 30 minutes including several stops, among others a 20-minute stop at Cavalese, whereas only 3 hours 10 minutes were required for the return journey, the Cavalese stop being reduced in this case to 10 minutes. The gradient played a very important part—the journey down was much quicker! Nevertheless, this was a considerable down was much quicker! Nevertheless, this was a considerable advance on the "messarerie" system. In summer 1907, the stage-coach still took 5 hours 30 minutes to Predazzo, or 5 hours 5 minutes in the reverse direction.

The duration of the run was further reduced later on. In summer 1911, for instance, it was only 3 hours 45 minutes on the outward and 3 hours on the return journey. That the Neumarkt-Predazzo route

Encouraged by the success of the Neumarkt-Predazzo venture, the authorities gradually expanded the network of bus lines. The very first year, on December 15, 1907, the Linz-Eferding route was pened. A short time before, on February 13, 1907, Konrad Hoheisel had been appointed head of the Linz PTT Directorate. It was to be his merit to promote and develop the postal bus system on a large scale after World War I in his capacity of Director General of the Postal and Telegraph Administration.

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It may be mentioned that the chief obstacle in establishing this service lay in the difficulty of securing drivers. It was characteristic of conditions prevailing at that time that only drivers taken from the Forces—non-commissioned officers performing duty in military uniform—were engaged for the early lines. Naturally cnough the Forces had a keen interest in this route because of the fortifications in South Tyrol, and this was demonstrated by the participation of representatives of the Military Technical Committee and of the Corps Command in the inaugural run. tration.

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August 6, 1907 proved a turningpoint in the history of the Austrian postal service, especially so
with regard to its ability to stand
competition. Prior to the introduction of railways the monopolies of
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importance in connection with tourism in Austria. That the Postal Administration in the days of the First Republic was alive to the situation is shown by the use of caterpillar vehicles with sledge-runners during the winter season; this was in line with the general effort to facilitate access to the skiing areas, especially the Arlberg. As far as tourism is concerned, the Neumarkt - Predazzo undertaking may therefore be considered a significant beginning.

Motorization of postal passenger

Motorization of postal passenger transport went on at a rapid pace, which is demonstrated by the following figures. There were 7 postal bus lines in 1908 as compared with 19 lines operated in 1902; 24 lines in 1910; 31 lines in 1912; and as many as 37 lines with 116 buses in 1914.

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many as 37 lines with 116 buses in 1914.

The first World War stopped this development abruptly, but immediately after the end of the war, and concurrently with the consolidation of conditions, the Post Office proceeded to reconstruct its bus services. Thanks to these efforts, 232 postal bus lines were in operation by the year 1932.

Once again development was obstructed, this time by the World War II. In May 1945, service could be resumed merely on 16 postal bus routes, the total route length in one direction approximating 480 kilometres.

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kilometres.
What followed now was a difficult period characterized by concentrated efforts to rehabilitate the
postal bus system of the Austrian
PTT, a task to which the postal
bus personnel devoted itself unreservedly performing real wonders.

bus personnel devoted itself unreservedly, performing real wonders
of improvisation and zeal under
adverse conditions. This facilitated
the recovery of the national economy by securing means of communication for the regions not covered by the railway network.

Thanks to this initiative and effort, the postal bus system developed into the biggest road operator
of Austria, without which public
traffic would be unthit.kable. In
the interest of national economy
as a whole, it renders valuable
services to industry, commerce,
and tourism and also furthers cultural purposes.

tural purposes.
As of December 31, 1956 the postal bus service had carried 57 million persons over approximately 500 postal bus routes with a one-way route length of 17,000 kilometres. The total route length covway route length of 17,000 knowneres. The total route length covered by the fleet of some 1670 buses was 38 million kilometres. The revenues approximated 191,1 million Austrian schillings, of which 13,0 million schillings alone were derived from the transportation of workers, effected at a 50 per cent reduction, while about 6.7 million schillings came from the transportation of students, effected at a 75 per cent reduction. Thus, indirect subsidies amounting to about 33 million schillings were granted in connection with the transportation, at a reduced rate, of workers and students.

Finally, a comparison with the figures of 1936 should illustrate the tremendous accomplishments of

figures of 1936 should illustrate the tremendous accomplishments of the postal bus system as well as its increased importance. Compared with the year 1936, there exist now approximately 2.9 times more postal bus lines and 3.7 times more buses. The number of kilometres covered has gone up by the factor of 4.6, 18 times more passengers are carried, and the revenues are 35 times those of 1936. The fares, however, were only in-

the long run, the post could hardly cope with advanced requirements. During the first half of the 19th century, when diligences were introduced, the average speed was 8 to 9 kilometres an hour and transportation was by no means comfortable owing to the poor quality of the roads. When railways were introduced, it appeared that the postal service had lost for good its position in the field of passenger transport.

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AUSTRIA FIRST ISSUE (Continued from page 1)

100 Centesimi). Thus 1 Kreuzer equals 5 Centes; 1 Gulden equals 3 Lira equals 300 Centes. The Italian silver currency was at a premium over the Austrian paper currency and this resulted in fluctuations of the exchange rate which made accounting matters tuations of the exchange rate which made accounting matters rather complicated. To avoid difficulties, it was decided to create two distinct sets of stamps, one in "Kreuzer" and one in "Centesimi" denominations.

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The delivery to the Comptroller of the Post was to be made in sheets, each of which was subdivided into four panes of sixty stamps. Consequently, a pane of 1 Kreuzer stamps had a value of 1 Gulden, that of 2 Kreuzer stamps a value of 2 Gulden, and so on. (Correspondingly, a pane of 5 Centes stamps cost 3 Lira or 1 Gulden).

Gulden).
At the time when the stamps were being printed, in the Spring of 1850, a Postal Union was being concluded between Austria, Bavaria and Prussia. This postal treaty established the following rates for one unit of weight (equal to about ½ ounce):

Kr. Cts.

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|-----------------------|-------|------|--|
| Printed Matter | 1 | 5 | |
| Local letters | 2 | 10 | |
| Letters to 45 mi | 3 | 15 | |
| Letters 45-90 mi | | 30 | |
| Letters over 90 mi | | 45 | |
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As a consequence of the treaty, the rate for domestic letters carried over 90 miles was reduced from 12 Kreuzer (60 Centes) to 9 Kreuzer (45 Centes). This change rendered the 12-Kreuzer and 60 ried over 90 miles was reduced from 12 Kreuzer (60 Centes) to 9 Kreuzer (45 Centes). This change rendered the 12-Kreuzer and 60 Centes values useless. On March 26, 1850, the State Printing Works was instructed to produce 8,000,000 copies of the 9-Kreuzer and 1,500,000 of the 45 Centes. Early in June 1850 they were directed to destroy all stocks already printed of the 12-Kreuzer and 60 Centes stamps. In a report to the Postal Administration, the State Printing Works confirmed having executed this order. Of the 60 Centes not a single copy has hitherto been found. Some copies of the 12-Kreuzer value were preserved for the official files. A few of these, all but one cancelled by "FRANCO", were litted from the archives and they cancelled by "FRANCO", were lifted from the archives and they are presently in various collec-

The stamps were officially issued on June 1, 1850, remained in use until December 31, 1858, and when they were demonetized the entire remainders of all value were officially destroyed.

At this point it would seem opportune to say a few words about the K. K. Hof und Staats Druckerei (the Imperial and Royal Court

rei (the Imperial and Royal Court and State Printing Works, or brief-ly, State Printing Works). It was founded in 1804 primarily to provide officials forms and documents, that is to say, printed material required by the Government. It is an institution similar in nature to our Bureau of Faguria

at is an institution similar in nature to our Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington.

From a modest beginning the State Printing Works quickly expanded and by 1850, when the first stamps were manufactured, had close to 870 employees and workers. From 1840 to 1867 its director was Alpis Auer an expert of great ers. From 1840 to 1867 its director was Alois Auer, an expert of great repute, (this name may strike a familiar note with some of you. His son, Karl Auer, was the inventor of the Auer Gas Burner; his portrait can be found on Austria, Scott No. B149).

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tive designs they were not adopted for postage stamps.

The printing was by troography, that is to say on a letter press, from plate settings composed of individual cliches. These cliches were stereotypes at first and electrotypes later on. To obtain the required number of cliches for a plate setting, the State Printing Works proceeded as follows:

The design was engraved into a steel die which had no indication of value and from which was obtained a copper matrix (first matrix). This was used to obtain ten negative dies (first cliches) still

rix). This was used to obtain ten negative dies (first cliches) still without indication of value. Into their empty value tablets were now permanently inserted the proper value indication: 1Kr. 2Kr, 3Kr, 6Kr, and 12Kr for the Austrian set and 5C, 10C, 15C, 30C and 60C for the Lombardy-Venetia set. These first cliches or working dies in turn furnished the second mat-rices from which were cast the 240 second cliches (stereotypes or electrotypes) for the composition of the printing plates (plate set-tings). Whenever a new second martix was needed, recourse was

martix was needed, recourse was taken to the corresponding first cliche in order to obtain it.

The process just described applies only to the first four values in Type I of each set. The two highest values in Type I, the 9Kr. and 45C. stamps, were produced in a different way as will be exand 45C. stamps, were produced in a different way, as will be ex-

plained later.
The stereos, which plained later.

The stereos, which probably were mounted on wooden blocks about two inches high, were assembled into a printing plate which consisted of four panes. Each pane held 64 subjects, arranged in eight rows of eight. Sixty spaces were filled by stereos showing the design of the stamp; the remaining four were occupied by St. Andrew's Crosses.

The stereos were of ordinary type metal, an alloy consisting of 80% lead and 20% antimony. They were not capable of withstanding the heavy printings to which they were subjected. Their relative softness also contributed to a deterioration of the fineness of the impressions and the occurrence of

pressions and the occurrence of plate flaws

It is of importance to point out that plate settings, composed of individual stereo-or electro; pes that plate settings, composed of individual stereo-or electrot pes were employed in producing these stamps rather than plates of a fixed indivisible unit such as are used in the manufacture of engraved or lithographed stamps. Thus, these settings could have been taken apart at any time and re-assembled for another setting if necessary.

necessary.
The existence of damaged stereos in the settings did not es-cape the attention of the State Printing Works, which was endeavoring to improve the appearance of the stamps. Damaged stereos were being eliminated and substituted by perfect one. Oc-casionally, however, a number of printings were made from a de-fective cliche before it was detect-ed and eliminated. We do find re-ference copies showing the damage in various stages and they enable us to determine the chronological order of printings made from the order of printings made from the same setting. As there could have been several compositions of a setting due to replacements of cliches, the reconstruction of such plate settings poses a rather difficult task. To my knowledge it has not been achieved as yet, al-though several attempts ave been

As a rule, one plate setting was composed of only one kind of type or sub-type of any given value. But due to replacements of cliches in the settings we uncounter multi-ples composed of stamps of two different types (1Kr. 3Kr, 15 Cen-tes.), of sub-types (2Kr, 10 Cen-tes.)

between the stamps. In the early plate settings, which had consisted of Type I stereos, the spacing between the columns was 2½ mm, in the settings composed of Type III subjects it increased to 3¼ mm. Correspondingly, the width of the gutter between the panes drops from 24 mm in the narrow settings to 15 mm in the wide settings employed for printings on hand-made paper and further to 12 mm for printings on machine-made paper. We have already mentioned that the State Printing Works was endeavoring to enhance the appearance of the stamps. A general improvement was carried out early in 1852 by re-engraving the design. No official record was found that would throw light on the method employed. It appears most likely, however, that one new cast Differences exist in the spacing

forts were being made all the time to withdraw and replace it by a definitive series, and several new designs were submitted by the State Printing Works, some of them of great artistic value like those of 1853 and 1854.

These sets were designed by Leander Russ and engraved by Carl Kotterba, both of whom were prominent artists of the time. The prominent artists of the time. The results are not uniform. In respect to the dotted background, we find seven main types of re-engraving the design. No official record was found that would throw light on the method employed. It appears most likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first cliche), and its design re-engraving the design. No official record was found that would throw light on the method employed. It appears most likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten working dies (first likely, however, that one new cast (third matrix) was obtained from each of the ten worki

Stamps in Type I show the dots which form the background of the Coat of Arms to be of a fairly regular hexagonal form and quite evenly distributed; in Type III design the dots are irregularly distributed and their shape changed to lozenges. Further, the dots below the right claw of the eagle are joined in Type II and separated in Type III. The most striking feature of the Type III design is the separation of the band delimiting the Coat of Arms at the bottom. It forms two parallel lines in Type III, as against a solid line in Type II. Finally, another result of the re-engraving was the separation of the figure of value from the frame line above it.

It now remains for us to consider the method employed for the manufacture of the stereotypes needed for the printing of the 9Kr. and 45C. stamps in Type I. In this instance, no first cliches (working dies) existed from which to obtain the required stereos. Instead of producing them in the usual manthe required stereos. Instead of producing them in the usual manner, stereos prepared for the printing of 6Kr. and 30C. stamps in Type I were converted by removing the original figure of value and inserting instead the new figure of ing the original figure of value and inserting instead the new figure of value (9Kr. and 45C. respectively) in each of the 240 stereos, individually by hand. This resulted in numerous sub-types of either value, which we classify according to the different positions the figure of value occupies within the value. of value occupies within the value

line above it.

tablet.
Finally, stamps in Type II should be mentioned. The 9Kr., 15C. and 45C. values are known to exist in Type II. Although their design shows most of the main characteristics of Type I stamps, it differs substantially as far as the position of the figure of value is concerned. This due to the fact that the usual 240 stereos required for the printing were obtained from that the usual 240 stereos required for the printing were obtained from second cliches in Type I which were converted by removing the old figure of value and soldering the new one in its place. A faultless second cliche (sterec) in Type I was used to produced the third matrices and from these were obtained the stereos (third cliches) matrices and from these were obtained the stereos (third cliches) required for the printing. Obviously, such settings produced but property of the distinguishing marks of stamps in Type II. The 9Kr. Type II stamps were derived from a second cliche of the 3Kr. Type I; the 15C. from a 10C. Type I; and the 45C. from a second cliche of the 30C. value in Type I.

in Type I.

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BELGIUM. Commemorating the 126th anniversary of the arrival of King Leopold I on Belgium territory, two stamps were issued July 17. The first (2 fr.) shows the arrival of the King on July 17, 1831 and the other (20 fr.) shows his entry into Brussels on July 21, 1831

BRAZIL. The 25th anniversary of the Sao Paulo Constitutionalist movement was marked with the issuance on July 9 of a 2.50Cr. red stamp. A earlier 2000rs. Brazil stamp showing a man carrying a banner on which is inscribed "Pro-Constituicao" is the central design of this new stamp.

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CANADA. A miner working underground with a pneumatic drill is to be the design of the new "primary industry" stamp of Canada to be released September 5. The face value will be 5c and the color black.

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A special commemorative stamp will be issued in honor of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip's visit to Canada in October.

DOMINICAN REP. On July 18 a set of eight triangular format stamps was released commemorating the winners of eight major events at the Melbourne Olympic Games held in Australia in last November. A description of each stamp follows: Regular postage: 1c brown, yellow and blue, Sweden, Lars Hall, pentathlon; 2c orange, blue and red, Australia, Betty Cuthbert, 100m and 200m dash; 3c blue, red and ultramarine, Norway, Egil Danielson, avelin; 5c olive, blue and red, France, Alain Mimoun, marathon; 7c red, brown and blue, New Zealand, Norman Read, 50km walk. Airmail: 11c green, blue, and red, U. S. A., Robert Morrow, 100m and 200m dash; 16c purple, red and blue, England, Chris Brasher, steeplechase; 17c chocolate, green, yellow and blue, Brazil, A. Ferreira Da Silva, hop-step-jump.

The set was also released in a small souvenir sheet which contains the eight stamps around a central label in three different

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EGYPT. Shepheard's Hotel, burned down during the Cairo riots in 1952, and now rebuilt, is the design of a new 10mil violet stamp released July 20, the date of the reopening of this famous hostelry.

FINLAND. On September 5 three semipostals will be issued to raise funds for combating tuberculosis. The values will be: 30markka plus 5mk. blue; 20mk. plus 3mk. dark brown; and 10mk. plus 2mk. grayish violet. A reindeer, a lynx, and a wolverine, respectively, will be used for the designs.

FRANCE. The French public works, one of France's foremost industries, was honored by the issuance of a 30fr dark green, brown, and bistre brown stamp on June 20. It shows typical public works of France.

ITALY. To mark the birth of Antonio Canova, three commemorative stamps were issued on July 15. The values are: 25L. brown (cameo profile of Canova); 60L. (Hercules and Lica); and 80L. (Venus Victrix).

NETHERLANDS. A set of Red Cross stamps, commemorating the 90th anniversary of the Netherlands Red Cross, will be available (from August 10) to October 10. The designs and values are: 4cplus 3c (pelican with a whelp); 6c plus 4c (vacation vessel for the chronically sick and invalid); 7cplus 5c (emblem of the Red Cross and globe).

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nd globe). NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. NETHERLANDS ANTILLES.
Four semipostal stamps were issued August 6, in honor of the forthcoming Eighth Central American and Caribbean Football Championships held in Curacao.
The values are: 6 cents plus 2½cc
reange (man playing soccer): 716 The values are: 6 cents plus 2½c orange (man playing soccer); 7½c plus 5c red (map of Central America); 15c plus 5c green (man jumping with soccer ball); and 22½c plus ½c blue (three men playing soccer).

NORWAY. In honor of King Haakon's 85th birthday anniversary, two stamps were issued on August 3, a 35 ore red and a 65o. blue.

LOCAL PROVISIONALS (Continued from page 1)

the defunct leader of Germany, eventually insisted that his portrait on the face of these stamps be effectively obliterated and, thus, beginning June 4, 1945 these stamps had to be defaced. This was done individually by all post offices by the hand-application of a great value. The proceeds went to various com-

riety of blotches and ornaments. riety of blotches and ornaments.

In like vein, also, as of June 12,
1945 four denominations of German
semipostal stamps which did not
bear Hitler's image were surcharged and overprinted in a
limited edition at the meantime restored state printery in Vienna.

On June 21, 1945 a series of new
overprinted provisionals based on

on June 21, 1945 a series of new overprinted provisionals based on the same German Hitler-type stamps previously utilized, and featuring bars to obliterate Hitler's portrait, was issued in Vienna. Finally, on June 25, 1945, two higher values of the same basic issue got into circulation, intended for the projected extension of service to include special delivery and registration fees.

However, all the mentioned Austrian postage stamps were invalidated as of June 27, 1945 (except for the surcharged semipostals that became obsolete July 2) prior to the reinstatement of extended postal service. As of July 3, 1945 the first values of postage stamps, printed in and for Austria, came on sale in Vienna.

Meantime, in the city of Graz, capital of the Austrian province of Styria, no less than 23 values of German Hitler-type stamps had been overprinted in a different design by private printshops and were officially issued May 28, 1945. Invalidation of these postage stamps on July 2, 1945 coincided with the transferral of Styria from the Russian to the British occupation zone. Also, the county of Scheibbs located in the Province of Lower Austria in the Russian zone issued three values of German Hitler stamps on May 28, 1945 and withdrew on about July 3.

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Regular postal service in the American zone was established July 4, 1945; in the British zone July 16, and in the French zone, July 30. As of September 1, 1945 interzonal service between these three zones became available but not until October did it encompass all of Austria. Provisional postage stamps were printed in Washington, D. C. in 17 denominations for use in the American, British and French zones and distributed to post offices within

distributed to post offices within that orbit. This issue, at times referred to as the A.M.G. (Allied Military Government) issue, initiated the return from the usage of German currency to the pre-German Austrian coinage.

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Because of the irregular and at times even chaotic condition of communications prevailing in Austria after the cessation of hostilities, substantial sectors within the Russian zones of occupation had only scant knowledge of events in Vienna, They had no ready access to the provisional postage stamps then emanating in considerable volume from the capital city.

In numerous instances, and less frequently outside the Russian zone, a very limited mail service was supplied throughout the period by the device of payment of postage in cash. This would be annotated by the postmaster on the mailing matter itself by ink, indelible pencil or rubber-stamp. These modern types of stampless covers constitute interesting items for the student of postal history. interesting items for the student of

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In their endeavor to supply more regular and orderly postal service to their constituents, quite a few local governments on the county level — or even on the municipal plane — proceeded to adapt available German stamps, almost exclusively of the Hitler-types, as best they could for issuance to the public.

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A number of provincial postmasters inscribed on the face of such stamps at various and varying angles the names of their reestablished country by pen and ink or indelible pencil. Sometimes they thoughtfully obliterated the imprinted name of the original issuing country and affixed their signatures on the stamp or next to it on the mailing matter. Frequently, however, they neglected to do this.

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ever, they neglected to do this.

By such means numerous Austrian local emergency issues were created which may be labeled "Postmaster Provisionals". Many more localities in the Russian zone, but only a handful in the other zones, proceeded to issue similar Locals, "naturalized" by a large variety of overprints affixed by rubberstamp or similar devices on individual stamps by hand.

Finally, a limited number of local

Finally, a limited number of local issues emerged with printed over-prints applied to entire sheets of German stamps in local printeries. However, of the numerous local provisional issues of 1945 that were channeled through the stamp trade channeled through the stamp trade at one time or another, significant-ly few actually represent emergen-cy emissions produced for legiti-mate postal purposes. Although favor cancellations abound, a ma-jority of the labels was never in-tended and accepted for the pay-ment of postage.

Also, a good many were "issued" without proper authority by ad hoc

munity purposes — or simply into the wallets of the issuers.

To make matters worse still, numerous individuals or groups, both inside and outside of the narrow confines of Austria, acquired for a pittance substantial quantities of obsolete German stamps of the preceeding period, and had them fradulently overprinted. They then disposed of these counterfeits at shamelessly high prices through gulible or unscrupulous wholesalers, largely abroad.

A few stamp catalogs, notably the Swiss Zumstein and the German Michel, aware of the danger inherent in the mass circulation of such spurious labels to the cause of philately, began soon to classify the Austrian locals under various headings in order to separate the counterfeits from legitimate issues.

the Austrian locals under various headings in order to separate the counterfeits from legitimate issues. But thereafter, the infamous manipulators devised new names for the purported origins of the stigmatized labels by advertising that they emanated from some less known locality and in some known instances even invented names of municipalities that never existed in Austria or, for that matter, anywhere else either!

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Furthermore, even among the legitimately issued true emergency Locals that were originally issued in very small quantities, frequently less than 100 stamps, there exist few, if any, where the paraphernalia used in the overprinting process were locked away or destroyed in time. Thus, more often than not, literally uncounted numbers were later re-issued to the stamp-trade by local instrumentalities or by private interests.

Instances are known too where local overprints have been later applied to types or denominations of German stamps which were at no time officially brought out. These practices make the value of unused Local stamps highly questionable.

For a consideration postal clerks were known to manipulate their cancellers back to appropriate dates and to apply apparently genuine and timely cancellations to such later reprints.

The stamp collector, object of so much attention bestowed on him by unscrupulous authorities and by organized swindlers, has one weapon with which to fight back and thwart the unconscionable profiteers: knowledge.

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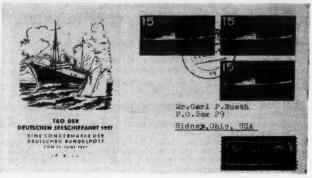
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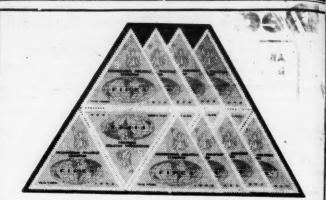
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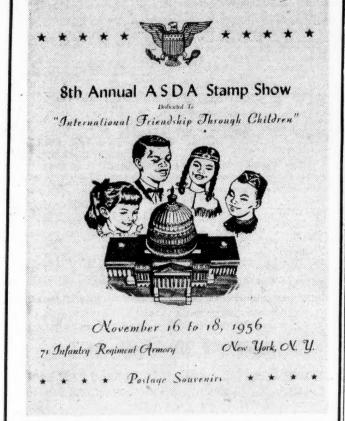
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The design shows a wild turkey taking off for distant parts, and if possible is even more striking than the same artist's "leaping deer" figure of last year's stamp.

The new issue is red-brown in color and serially numbered as in the past. The printing is 35.000, desined for distribution to Tennesee's hunters of the bigger game animals. animals.

Suburban Collectors Offer Show, Cachet

The Suburban Collectors Club of Chicago has two outstanding events on its philatelic calendar in the early fall. The first will be an "open house" to celebrate obtaining new quarters in the Hinsdale Community Center, Hinsdale, Ill. September 18.

The other will be the annual exhibition and bourse November 16-17. There will be three hundred frames at this show and competition is open to all. Bourse tables are being booked now as are reservations of frames. An interesting cachet showing the new community house will be available.

community house will be available.
Chicago suburban collectors as well as others are cordially invited to attend both of the events mentioned as well as the regular meetings which are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
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important variety of the first kind is the LAID PAPER which, when held against the light, shows heavy vertical watermark-like lines, about 1 mm apart. It is without the customary sheet watermark. It was used in very small quantities in 1852, either by mistake or, in order to replace missing sheets of regular paper for whic' the printer was responsible. In any event, stamps printed on this kind of paper are great rarities and only the 3Kr., and 9Kr., and 15C are known to date.

The variety which was deliberately produced is the very thin pelure paper, which was used in an experiment to prevent the re-use of cancelled stamps. All values were resisted as second time and in a darker shade, on the reverse side. We find the print on the back is more or less shifted.

Very scarce and unusual are Double Prints, one of them color-less impression appearing on the top sheet, the color-less impression remaining on the bottom one. When the latter was printed on at a later time in the regular way, it received its colored impression in addition to the color-less embossing.

An interesting oddity was pro-

are known to date.

The variety which was deliberately produced is the very thin pelure paper, which was used in an experiment to prevent the re-use of cancelled stamps. All values were printed on this paper variety. The so-called ribted paper is actually not a paper variety. It is believed that the ribbing was applied purposely, after the stamps were printed, probably for the same reason as the grill on the U.S. stamps.

RIBBED PAPER can be recogn-

same reason as the grill on the U.S. stamps.

RIBBED PAPER can be recognized by its narrow ribs which are visible when held against the light. There are about thirty ribs to two centimeters. In order to obtain the ribbing of the paper, the sheets, completely printed, and gummed, were passed through heated metal rollers which had a fine ribbing, that left its impression on the sheets. This process sometimes caused paper folds which are on of the characteristics of a genuinely ribbed stamp. Larger quantities exist of the 3Kr., 15C., 30C. and 45C. The 2Kr. and 6Kr. are also found genuinely ribbed; they are, however, very scarce. The ribbing was applied for a short time only, at the end of 1850 and early in 1851.

Machine-made paper was gradually introduced free.

for a short time only, at the end of 1850 and early in 1851.

Machine-made paper was gradually introduced from December 1854 on and remained in use since then. It has no watermark; however, a stitch watermark can be found. This shows a number of parallel lines, arranged in two rows, either horizontally or vertically, and is visible when held against a strong light. It is caused by the impression of the wire stitches which join the edges of the papermaker's felt. We find also stamps on cardboard paper. Neither variety is common. To differentiate between and and machine-made paper, it should be borne in mind that hand-made paper has a rather uneven, porous and rough structure, while the surface of the machine-made opper is usually smooth and even.

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PRINTING VARIETIES are the most interesting and outstanding features of this issue. There are a great number of them, some are extremely rare, others rather cormon. Of great rarity are stamps printed accidentally on both sides. Of this variety only the 3Kr. and 9Kr. values are known. On the other hand, the 1Kr. and 5C, stamps printed on both sides are a product of the thriftiness prevailing at the State Printing Works. To avoid the wastage of paper of printings made of these stamps in too pale a shade, it was decided to turn the sheets over and to feed them again into the press,

Impression in addition to the colorless embossing.

An interesting oddity was produced by one of the experiments
the State Printing Works conducted in order to improve the appearance of the stamps. In an effort
to make the center of the design
appear more prominent, a special
make-ready was used. S mall
pieces of felt were placed in a
position to coincide with that of the
Coât of Arms, in order to furnish
impressions which would make the
center of the stamp appear more
prominent than the other parts of
the design which were faint in
color. This method, however, did
not work. The pieces of felt shifted, producing impressions of very
inferior appearance with heavily
inked and shifted centers.

Among the more common print-

Among the more common printing varieites are two kinds of OFF-SETS, the Machine and Sheet Offsets. Machine Offsets occurred when the press ran idle, producing an impression on the cylinder which transferred the ink to the back of the succeeding sheet fed into the press.

SHEET Offsets were produced.

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SHEET Offsets were produced by the transfer of ink from the face of one sheet to the back of the next sheet on top of it. Machine offsets exactly cover the design of the stamp; sheet ofsets generally are shifted. Either is found on the back of stamps. In are instances, sheet offsets are on the face of stamps and sheet plus machine offsets can also be found on one stamp. This occurred when a sheet that had a already acquired a machine offset received. sheet offset. Partially colorless prints were caused by a piece of paper or foreign matter which had settled on the sheet during the printing process, preventing the ink from leaving an impression on that spot.

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I showed the above Handy Guide (one of my few handwrought contributions to the science of philately) to 'Miss Frump, our combination parlor maid and order-filler. ''I' m thinking of offering it as a bonus with each \$100 purchase," I explained. "People are always arguing about the condition of stamps. This ought to clarify things, don't you think? I mean, this Guide shows more clearly than words can—''
"Are you kidding!" said Miss Frump. "All it shows from where I sit is nine frousy-looking stamps. There isn't a single decent philatelic specimen in the whole—"

"Depends on the point of view," I said. "This is a Seller's Guide. Naturally, if you're buying stamps, you use a Buyer's Guide."

"I don't read you," said Miss Frump.

"Well, take that fellow who was just in here looking for a well-centered copy of the new U. S. flag stamp. I showed him 87 different copies but he got out his calipers and measured the margins and they were all just a bit off-center."

"Well, he was a bit likewise if you ask me," said Miss Frump. "It took him four hours to buy one stamp. I thought he'd come for the weekend."

"He didn't actually buy the stamp," I said. "But he promised to think it over. Said if we'd treat him fairly he'd give us his entire business. I think we can expect a considerable upward adjustment of our gross."

"Speaking of upward adjustments, I'm still waiting for that raise in salary you promised me," said Miss Frump, brazenly changing the subject. "Permit me to remind you, Mr. Farmer, that I didn't come to Hollywood to bury myself in the stamp business. I have bigger fish to fry, including a career in the cinema which is being shamefully held up just at present on account of I can't afford the simple luxury of dramatic lessons. I would appreciate a definite commitment, Mr. Farmer. I'm getting tired of your vagaries, truly I am.'

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